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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 1469**
Takeshi SAKAI et al. : Docket No. 00001/F-3511 PT-US-CPA
Serial No. 09/269,711 : Group Art Unit 1617
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 28, replace the paragraph beginning at line 14 with the following paragraph:

Calcium chloride dihydrate (manufactured by Nippon Soda) (7.3 kg) was dissolved in 900 liters of tap water and then 20 kg of ground *gagome kombu* were mixed therewith. Temperature of the liquid was raised from 12°C to 90°C by bubbling the steam thereinto for 40 minutes and the mixture was kept at 90-95°C for one hour with stirring and cooled to give 1,100 liters of cooled product.